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Preserve First Program - Update

In April 2003, Governor Granholm initiated the Preserve First Program. This program increases emphasis on preservation of the existing system. Preserve First will allow us to improve the condition of our roads and bridges and to protect the investments of Michigan taxpayers. The program concentrates on freeways and routes carrying a high volume of traffic in addition, it focuses on routes in poor condition and to statewide priorities.

Fiscal Year 2003

- Approximately \$180 million in Preserve First work was advanced from the FY 2004 Program to FY 2003. (See attached list). This was a combination of road and bridge rehabilitation & reconstruction work.
- All the FY 2003 Preserve First projects were let to construction.
- Over 50 miles of road will be repaired in the first year of this program.

Fiscal Year 2004

- FY 2004 is the second year of the Preserve First Initiative
- Adding Road and Bridge Preservation projects to the FY 2004 Program
 - Over \$100 million in Preserve First road and bridge rehabilitation & reconstruction work has been scheduled for FY 2004. (See attached list)
 - Approximately 20 miles of roads will be improved.
- The Safety Program has been increased under Preserve First (+\$8 million, 16% increase)
- The Enhancement Program has been increased under Preserve First (+\$5 million, 33% increase)
- Implementing the Type II Noise Wall Program (\$5 million)

2004 Road and Bridge Program

The 2004 Road and Bridge Program will spend:

Repair & Rebuild Roads	\$440 million
Capital Preventive Maintenance	\$77 million
Bridges	\$175 million

The program will focus investment on our most traveled routes and provides an appropriate mix of fixes.

Major Road and Bridge Projects for 2004:

- I-94, road reconstruction and bridge replacement in Taylor and Allen Park
- M-5 (Grand River Avenue), reconstruct existing road in Northwest Detroit
- I-75 SB, resurface and bridge rehab. in Oakland County, northwest of Pontiac
- US-23, rehab. and resurface in Alpena & Alcona Counties
- US-131, resurface north of Mancelona
- US-10, resurface in Clare County
- Capitol Loop, reconstruct in Downtown Lansing
- M-45, resurface in Grand Rapids
- US-31, resurface in Ottawa County
- US-2, reconstruction in Iron Mountain

Improving Relations with County Road Commissions

The Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) and the County Road Association of Michigan (CRAM) signed a new, five-year State Trunkline Maintenance contract in which 66 Michigan counties contract with MDOT to perform preservation and regular maintenance work on state trunklines in those counties.

The agreement is an important step toward increasing the collaboration and partnerships necessary to provide a quality transportation system for every Michigan citizen. Governor Granholm has made partnership and preservation top priorities for Michigan's transportation system. The contract helps us efficiently manage limited resources and strengthens Michigan's status as an economic magnet that attracts businesses, creates jobs and improves communities in every county.

The five-year contract is the first ever of that length. It includes strengthened language to ensure MDOT is receiving services as well as a process to identify and resolve ongoing contract issues.

"This is a tremendous joint effort by two strong teams to create a contract that will work for everyone," said John Niemela, Director of the County Road Association. "The real winners are the taxpayers who use the system."

MULTIMODAL HIGHLIGHTS 2003

Aeronautics:

Muskegon County Airport -- \$500,000 USDOT grant to initiate jet service.

Airport Development and Licensing Program Processed 270 grants to MI. airports:

- \$10 million state funds.
- \$88 million federal funds
- New terminal at Pellston Regional.
- Ground Run-Up Enclosure at Oakland County International Airport to reduce noise.
- Runway projects at Lapeer, Romeo, White Cloud, Rogers City and Manistee.
- Inspected 233 public-use airports, 5 public-use heliports, and 106 hospital heliports.

Fiscal Year 2003 Bus Programs – Local Services

Specialized Services:

- Financial assistance to 114 public transit and non-profit agencies.
- Estimated ridership: 1,454,196
- Estimated vehicle miles: 8,794, 490

Local Bus Operating Assistance:

- Operating assistance to 84 local transit agencies.
- Dec. '03 projected passengers: 87,587,984
- Dec. '03 projected miles: 83,6653,901
- Two new transit agencies added in FY '03

Regional Service:

- Funding for regional service study project and demonstration project to facilitate regional travel across Cheboygan, Emmet, Otsego and Presque Isle county lines facilitating access to healthcare, education and employment in four counties.

Helping with Transportation To Work:

- Funding to 49 agencies to help meet transportation to work needs of low-income individuals.
- Projected '03 ridership: 860,000
- Continues partnership between Federal Transit Administration, MDOT, FIA, Michigan Department of Career Development.

Bus Capital:

- 86 project authorizations totaling more than \$29 million in CTF cash and bond revenues for capital projects by urban and rural transit agencies.
- State investment leverages \$120 million in federal funds.
- Provides for purchase/lease of 425 revenue vehicles.
- Construction expansion of ten facilities.
- Renovation of six facilities.

Ridesharing:

- Grants awarded to twelve local Rideshare offices.

Vanpooling:

- Largest fleet growth in MichiVan history in one fiscal year. Vanpool programs initiated by UM, Ford, EDS, GM, Pfizer.

Intercity terminals:

- Capital assistance to benefit day-to-day operations of two intercity bus carriers;
- Partial Funding for two intermodal terminals.
- Funding for improvement of four intermodal terminals.
- \$16 million for design and initial construction of a new intermodal terminal in Grand Rapids through federal, state and local partnership.

Intercity Service Development:

- Operating assistance for two intercity carriers to support two intercity routes in lower peninsula and three in upper peninsula.
- Projected ridership: 85,000

Intercity Bus Equipment:

- MDOT purchased five intercity buses with wheelchair lifts to lease to Greyhound for use on statewide routes.

Fiscal Year 2003 Rail Freight Infrastructure and Safety Programs

Local Grade Crossing Program:

- 56 local crossing improvement projects developed and authorized.
- Worked with local road authorities to close ten crossings.
- Completed Phase 1 of Statewide Crossing Removal Program, resulting in 100 unused railroad crossings being removed.

Public Grade Crossing program:

- completed on-site reviews of almost half of the 4,978 public crossings in Michigan.

Fiscal Year 2003 Rail Passenger Programs

Pere Marquette (Grand Rapids-Chicago):

- Record 70,000 riders anticipated by end of '03. Almost 19% above Fiscal Year 2002.

High Speed Corridor:

- Completed Niles Station Rehab.
- Upgraded warning devices at four public grade crossings. Eliminated three more private grade crossings.

Ann Arbor to Detroit:

- Current new service study with Ann Arbor Transportation Authority completed

Multi-Modal Highlights of Fiscal Year 2004 Goals

Aeronautics:

Detroit Metropolitan Wayne County:

- Apron replacement.
- First phase of the rehabilitation of Runway 3R/21L.
- Construction of 3rd Aircraft Rescue/Fire Fighting building.
- Continuation of noise attenuation project.
- \$38,500,000

Willow Run Airport:

- Improvements to Runway Safety Areas for Runways 23R and 23L
- \$1,864,000

Gerald R. Ford International Airport Grand Rapids:

- Reconstruction of East and West General Aviation ramps
- \$3,000,000

Muskegon County Airport:

- Road relocation to accommodate Runway Safety Area improvements
- \$1,400,000

Southwest Michigan Regional Airport in Benton Harbor:

- Land acquisition for improvements to Runway Safety Area and runway extension
- \$6,700,000

Livingston County Airport in Howell:

- Site development for terminal complex, hangar relocation, and relocation of extended runway
- \$6,000,000

Kirsch Municipal Airport in Sturgis:

- Rehabilitation of Runway 18/36
- \$1,600,000

Plus continuation of transit funding programs at '03 levels.

Transportation Summit

The Transportation Summit will create a vision for Michigan's transportation system to support Michigan as a magnet for jobs, growth, people, and economic activity. We will collectively develop action plans to begin making the vision a reality. The Summit will be held December 3 and 4, 2003, in Lansing.

The Transportation Summit invites all those who are interested in the future of Michigan's transportation system; legislators and elected officials, state, local and federal governments, citizens and others who are impacted by the transportation system to attend.

Nine key issues will be addressed at the Transportation Summit.

1. Asset Management
2. Research and Evaluation
3. Land Use
4. Mobility Options
5. Communication, Consciousness Raising & Public Involvement
6. Safety
7. Commerce and Trade
8. Coordination, Cooperation & Connectivity
9. Funding

These issues were identified by the Summit Planning Committee, which are composed of various members of the Michigan transportation community.